



PROGRAM DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT

CDBG Advisory Committee (AC) Meeting

SUMMARY

July 21, 2017
10:00 – 3:00

2017 NOFA

- HCD Management team committed that the 2017 NOFA will be released Sept 1.
- Staff confirmed with the Committee that the AP will be corrected to indicate the 2017 NOFA criteria as approved by the Director on July 17, 2017.
- The Waiver requirement that specified the need to review the procurement documentation and process for the preliminary planning should be eliminated because the preliminary plans could have been the result of another funding source, or completed internally. Financing committed needs to be further explained.
- Staff explained the State Objective Criteria that it is not meant to be a burdensome process, and the criteria and rating and ranking process are being developed,
- Program Income (PI) is problematic and that it needs to be addressed as part of the redesign process. Staff explained that it is a major part of the redesign, and that there have been no changes to PI for this NOFA cycle; just that the application is limited to one PI Supplemental activity from prior year of three.
- Webinar Follow-up Q & A's need to be updated with better information.

Redesign

- AC was given the draft redesign for review and appreciated the efforts in moving the CDBG program forward. They stated they wanted to see the final document before the listening sessions.
- An overview of the CDBG Program Survey results was given to the AC. Common theme was communication and program and environmental technical assistance were high priorities for respondents;
- Highly emphasized that the redesign discussion and decision be data driven and not based on one's opinion.
- Recommended that redesign listening sessions be coordinated with the CDBG NOFA workshops in September.
- Redesign Charter is in development and will determine the direction of the working group, role and responsibilities, and expectations. First meeting to convene prior to Sept 1.
- Trailer Bill language was reviewed.

HUD TA Providers

- Ginny reported TA consultant team was here, met with HCD staff and Director Metcalf.
- It was also reported that Stan Gimont from HUD was here and spent time with staff discussing the State CDBG program, expenditure rate, program income and other issues we face in administering the program. It was presented as a positive and welcomed opportunity for HCD.